(b) if so, whether Government have made any attempt to know this anti-labour practice being followed in the various wings of the railway administration;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) what corrective steps have been taken by Government to put an end to such malpractices besides taking administrative action against those officials indulging in it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS): (a) to (c) By and large, there is no misuse of railwayman-power for domestic work, though a few such isolated cases have come to notice.

(d) Information and complaints received relating to the misuse of labour, are investigated promptly, and deterrent action is taken in established cases against those who indulge in such malpractices.

Ban on Registration for Allotment of Flates/Plots by Delhi Development Authority

34. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Development Authority has banned the acceptance of any fresh applications for allotment of newly-constructed flats or plots for the last five years; and

(b) if so, by when this ban is likely to be lifted and applications from new applicants invited and whether certain percentage of allotments would also be fixed for the Member of Parliament out of them.

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DAULAT RAM SARAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It would not be desirable to start a new scheme before the existing backlong of registrants of earlier schemes is cleared.

NBCC dues against DPA

35. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the estimated amount due from Iraq for various projects undertaken by the N.B.C.C. there; and

(b) in what manner Government propose to realise the dues?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DAULAT RAM SARAN): (a) As on 31st January, 1991 the estimated amount due from Iraq for various projects undertaken by NBCC is Rs. 91.85 crore.

(b) Out of the above, dues amounting to Rs. 71.79 crores are covered under Deferred Payment Agreements signed between the Government of India and the Government of Iraq. As per these agreements, the dues are payable in instalments by April, 1996. The balance amount of dues is liable to be realised in cash in US dollars/local currency.